# TOWN OF SOMERS BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING MINUTES Thursday, April 6, 2017 6:00pm

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**Call to Order:** First Selectman Lisa Pellegrini called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

**Members Present:** First Selectman Lisa Pellegrini, Selectmen Kathy Devlin and Bud Knorr also present CFO Michael Marinaccio, Senior Accountant Brian Wissinger, DPW Director Todd Rolland and Maintainers Eric Hurlburt and Daniel Tourtellotte.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** All members participated in the pledge of Allegiance.

First Selectman Pellegrini requested a motion to be made a motion to move up agenda item "Mountain Road Reconstruction Project Bid Award"

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to move up agenda item Mountain Road Reconstruction Project Bid Award, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.

Ms. Pellegrini received a letter from Town Engineer Jeff Bord recommending to award the Bid contract for the Mountain Road Project to King Construction Co. Inc., Ms. Pellegrini also stated the Department of Transportation also is authorizing the Town of Somers to award the contract for construction of this project to the low bidder, King Construction Co. Inc. of Bloomfield Ct.

Mr. Knorr made a motion to approve the recommendation from The DOT and Town Engineer Jeff Bord to award the Mount Road project to King Construction Company Inc. with the low bid of 2,437,901.45 and authorize First Selectman Lisa Pellegrini to sign the contract, seconded by Mrs. Devlin.

Anticipated Executive Session: Discussion and Anticipated Personnel Action Regarding Public Works Directors Recommendation with Respect to Two Public Work Employees.

Individuals present in Executive session were First Selectman Lisa Pellegrini and Selectmen Kathy Devlin, Bud Knorr DPW Director Todd Rolland, Eric Hurlburt and Daniel Tourtelotte. Executive Session ended at 6:19pm.

Mrs. Devlin Made a motion effective 4/7/2017 to suspend Mr. Daniel Tourtelotte and Mr. Eric Hurlburt from their duties with full pay and benefits through June 30, 2017 when they will be laid off due to the elimination of their positions, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.

## **Budget Public Hearing:**

Ms. Pellegrini confirmed that the Budget Public Hearing is Tuesday April 18, 2017 at 7:00pm at the Somers Elementary School Auditorium. The Board reviewed and discussed the material being presented.

## **Finance Department Promotion Request:**

CFO Michael Marinaccio requested a promotion of Brian Wissinger from his current position as Senior Accountant to that of Assistant Finance Director with a salary of 63,500. Mr. Marinaccio

explained Brian has progressively developed to a point where he feels his ready to assume the duties.

Mr. Knorr made a motion to approve the request to promote Brian Wissinger from his current position as Senior Accountant to that of Assistant Finance Director with a salary of 63,500, seconded by Mrs. Devlin. A unanimous vote followed.

Ms. Pellegrini requested authorization from the Board to request a State Trooper Sergeant while Lt Claudio is out on Administrative leave to assist with the management of the police department; Ms. Pellegrini explained that it will require extra funding. CFO Michael Mariniaccio commented that there is money in the current budget to fund the interim State Trooper Sergeant.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to authorize First Selectman Lisa Pellegrini to send a written request to the Commissioner to request an interim State Trooper Sergeant in the absence of Lt. Claudio, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.

#### Mill Informational:

# **Planning and Discussion:**

The Board discussed and reviewed what will be presented at the Mill Informational.

# Letter of Agreement between the Town of Somers and Planimetrics

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to hire Glen Calder of Planimetrics for the Somerville Mill Informational, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.

# **Municipal Agent for the Elderly Appointment:**

Ms. Pellegrini received notification from Ann Logan Town Clerk that the Municipal Agent for the Elderly Appointment will need to be documented showing the previous Municipal Agent and the current Agent, including Appointment and Term Expiration dates, the form will then need to be completed and forward to the Department of Aging in Hartford.

Ms. Pellegrini is recommending reappointing Deanna Schuetz to a 4 year term expiring on 4/6/2021.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to reappoint Deanna Schuetz to a 4 year term expiring on 4/6/2021, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.

## **Authorization of Schedule Payments:**

Made a motion to approve the authorization of scheduled payments in the amount of \$639,313.14, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.

## **Approval of Minutes:**

March 30, 2017 Special Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes:

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve the March 30, 2017 Special Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes, seconded by Ms. Pellegrini. A unanimous vote followed.

# **Adjournment:**

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to adjourn the Board of Selectmen meeting at 2:44, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim LaFleur-Recording

Minutes are not official until accepted at a subsequent meeting.